



Docket No.: 1293.1130-CIP

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Jung-wan KO

Group Art Unit: 2653

Serial No. 09/694,787

Examiner: Paul W. Huber

Filed: October 24, 2000

For: RECORDING MEDIUM FOR STORING INFORMATION FOR MAINTAINING RECORDING  
AND/OR REPRODUCING COMPATIBILITY, AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
MANAGING THE SAME

**COMMENTS REGARDING STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A Statement of Reasons for Allowance was forwarded in the Notice of Allowability mailed  
October 4, 2004.

MPEP §1302.14 states, in part:

Where specific reasons are recorded by the examiner, care must be taken  
to ensure that statements of reasons for allowance (or indication of  
allowable subject matter) are accurate, precise and do not place  
unwarranted interpretations, whether broad or narrow upon the claims.  
The examiner should keep in mind the possible misinterpretations of his  
or her statement that may be made and its possible estoppel effects.

The Examiner has used bold typeface for certain features. It is submitted that the use of bold in  
the reasons for allowance is improper in that it provides certain emphasis which might "place  
unwarranted interpretations, whether broad or narrow, upon the claims" (M.P.E.P. §1302.14).

It is further submitted that the claims speak for themselves and should not be interpreted based  
on the Examiner's characterizations of same. It is also submitted that the claims provide their own best  
evidence as to the reasons for allowance.




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In summary, it is submitted that the Examiner's Statement "raises possible misinterpretations... and possible estoppel effects" (M.P.E.P. §1302.14) and is therefore improper.

Respectfully submitted,

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